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In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph on page 19, lines 17-19 as follows:

Figure 1: Stability of oligonucleotides (SEQ ID NOS 33-38, respectively, in order of appearance) containing beta-D-amino-LNA against SVPD. (Capital letters are LNA, T^N stands for beta-D-amino-LNA and small letters are DNA. The oligonucleotide is synthesized on deoxynucleoside-support, t.)

Please amend the paragraph on page 20, lines 28-30 as follows:

Figure 12: Stability of oligonucleotides (SEQ ID NOS 33-38, respectively, in order of appearance) containing alpha-L-oxy-LNA against SVPD. (Capital letters are LNA, T^{α} stands for alpha-L-oxy-LNA and small letters are DNA. The oligonucleotide is synthesized on deoxynucleoside-support, t.)

Please amend the paragraph on page 20, lines 32-34 as follows:

Figure 13: Stability of different oligonucleotides (t_{16} , t_{s12} , T_{16} , $T^{\alpha}_{15}T$) (SEQ ID NOS 39-42, respectively) against S1-endonuclease. (Capital letters are LNA, T^{α} stands for alpha-L-oxy-LNA and small letters are DNA. The oligonucleotide is synthesized on oxy-LNA-support, T.)

Please amend Table 1 on page 27 as follows:

		DAC30		Lipofecta	amine 2000
Ref	oligonucleotides	% cells	% uptake	% cells	% uptake
2753	T ^N C ^N C ^N g _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s c _s t _s C ^N C ^N T ^N c-FAM	-	-	100	100
	(SEQ ID NO: 1)				
2752	$T_{s}^{N}C_{s}^{N}C_{s}^{N}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}c_{s}t_{s}C_{s}^{N}C_{s}^{N}T_{s}^{N}c$	30 .	30	100	100
	FAM				
	(SEQ ID NO: 2)	1			
2740	$T_sC_sC_sg_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_sC_sT_sc-FAM$	80	30	100	100
	(SEQ ID NO: 3)				

Table 1. Oligonucleotides containing beta-D-amino-LNA used in cellular uptake and subcellular distribution experiments. Residue c is methyl-c both for DNA and LNA.

Please amend Table 2 on page 29 as follows:

ref	sequence	design	size
U-14	FAM- $T^{N}T^{N}T^{N}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}TCTTT$ (SEQ ID NO: 4)	Amino-LNA in one flank/ PS gap of 7	16mer
2023- m; 02579	TTTTg _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s TCTTT (SEQ ID NO: 5)	Control with oxy-LNA	16mer

Table 2. Oligonucleotide containing beta-D-amino-LNA used in the antisense activity assay and the oxy-LNA control (Capital letters for LNA and small letters for DNA, T^N is beta-D-amino-LNA). Residue c is methyl-c both for LNA.

Please amend Table 3 on pages 29-30 as follows:

ref	oligonucleotides	
2755	$T^{N}C^{N}C^{N}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}c_{s}t_{s}C^{N}C^{N}T^{N}c$	PO/PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 6)	
2754	$T_{s}^{N}C_{s}^{N}C_{s}^{N}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}c_{s}t_{s}C_{s}^{N}C_{s}^{N}T_{s}^{N}c$	All PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 7)	
2743	TCCg _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s c _s t _s CCTc	PO/PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 8)	
2742	$T_sC_sC_sg_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_sC_sT_sc$	All PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 9)	
2757	$T^{N}C^{N}T^{N}g_{s}t_{s}a_{s}a_{s}t_{s}a_{s}g_{s}c_{s}c_{s}C^{N}C^{N}C^{N}c$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 10)	
2756	$T_{sC}^{N}C_{s}^{N}T_{sg_{s}t_{s}a_{s}a_{s}t_{s}a_{s}g_{s}c_{s}c_{s}C_{s}^{N}C_{s}^{N}C_{s}^{N}c$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 11)	
2745	TCTg _s t _s a _s a _s t _s a _s g _s c _s c _s CCCc	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 12)	
2744	$T_sC_sT_sg_st_sa_sa_st_sa_sg_sc_sC_sC_sC_sC_sc$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 13)	

Table 3. Oligonucleotides containing beta-D-amino-LNA and beta-D-oxy-LNA used in the antisense activity experiments. Residue c is methyl-c both for DNA and LNA.

Please amend Table 4 on page 32 as follows:

		D.	AC30	Lipofect	amine 2000
ref	oligonucleotides	% cells	% uptake	% cells	% uptake
2747	$T^{S}C^{S}C^{S}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}c_{s}t_{s}C^{S}C^{S}T^{S}c$ -FAM	-	-	100	100
	(SEQ ID NO: 14)				
2746	$T^{S}_{s}C^{S}_{s}C^{S}_{s}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}c_{s}t_{s}C^{S}_{s}C^{S}_{s}T^{S}_{s}c$	80	50	100	100
	FAM (SEQ ID NO: 15)				
2740	$T_sC_sC_sg_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_sC_sT_sc-FAM$	80	30	100	100
	(SEQ ID NO: 16)				

Table 4. Oligonucleotides containing beta-D-thio-LNA used in cellular uptake and subcellular distribution experiments. Residue c is methyl-c both for DNA and LNA.

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Please amend Table 5 on page 34 as follows:

ref	sequence	design	size
U-16	T ^S T ^S T ^S g _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s TCTTT- FAM (SEQ ID NO:14)	Thio-LNA in one flank/ PS gap of 7	16mer
2023-m; 02579	TTTTg _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s TCTTT (SEQ ID NO: 5)	Control with oxy-LNA	16mer

Table 5._Oligonucleotide containing beta-D-thio-LNA used in the antisense activity assay and the corresponding oxy-LNA control (Capital letters for LNA and small letters for DNA, T^S is beta-D-thio-LNA). Residue c is methyl-c both for LNA.

Please amend Table 6 on pages 34-35 as follows:

ref	oligonucleotides	
2749	TSCSCS g _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s c _s t _s CSCSTSc	PO/PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 15)	
2748	T ^S _s C ^S _s C ^S _{sgs} t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s c _s t _s C ^S _s C ^S _s T ^S _s c	All PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 16)	
2743	TCCgstscsastscsgscstsCCTc	PO/PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 8)	
2742	$T_sC_sC_sg_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_sC_sT_sc$	All PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 17)	
2751	$T^{S}C^{S}T^{S}g_{s}t_{s}a_{s}a_{s}t_{s}a_{s}g_{s}c_{s}c_{s}C^{S}C^{S}C^{S}c$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 18)	
2750	$T_{sC}^{S}T_{sT}^{S}g_{st_{s}}a_{s}a_{s}t_{s}a_{s}g_{s}c_{s}c_{s}C_{s}^{S}C_{s}^{S}c$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 19)	
2745	TCTg _s t _s a _s a _s t _s a _s g _s c _s c _s CCCc	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 12)	
2744	$T_sC_sT_sg_st_sa_sa_st_sa_sg_sc_sC_sC_sC_sC_sc$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 13)	

Table 6. Oligonucleotides containing beta-D-thio-LNA and beta-D-oxy-LNA used in the antisense activity experiments. Residue c is methyl-c both for DNA and LNA.

Please amend Table 7 on page 37 as follows:

		DA	AC30	Lipofec	tamine 2000
ref	oligonucleotides	% cells	% uptake	% cells	% uptake
2773	$T^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}c_{s}t_{s}C^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}T^{\alpha}c$ -FAM	-	-	100	100
	(SEQ ID NO: 20)			.	
2774	$T_s^{\alpha}C_s^{\alpha}C_s^{\alpha}C_s^{\alpha}S_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_s^{\alpha}C_s^{\alpha}T_s^{\alpha}c_s$	80	30	100	100
	FAM (SEQ ID NO: 21)				
2740	$T_sC_sC_sg_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_sC_sT_sc-FAM$	80	30	100	100
	(SEQ ID NO: 3)		į		

Table 7. Oligonucleotides containing alpha-L-oxy-LNA used in cellular uptake and subcellular distribution experiments. Residue c is methyl-c both for DNA and LNA.

Please amend Table 8 on page 39 as follows:

ref	sequence	mixmer
2023-q	$TTCCg_sT^{\alpha}_{s}c_sa_st_sc_sg_sT^{\alpha}_{s}c_sTTT$	4-1-1-5-1-1-3 a
	(SEQ ID NO: 22)	
2023-r	$T^{\alpha}T^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}g_{s}T^{\alpha}{}_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}T^{\alpha}{}_{s}c_{s}T^{\alpha}T^{\alpha}T$	4-1-1-5-1-1-3 b
	(SEQ ID NO: 23)	
2023-t	TTCCg _s t _s c _s A ^{\alpha} st _s c _s g _s TCTTT	4-3-1-3-5 a
	(SEQ ID NO: 24)	
2023-u	$TTCC^{\alpha}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}A^{\alpha}_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}T^{\alpha}CTTT$	4-3-1-3-5 b
	(SEQ ID NO: 25)	

Table 8. Mixmers containing alpha-L-oxy-LNA used in this study (Capital letters for LNA and small letters for DNA, T^{α} is alpha-L-oxy-LNA). Residue c is methyl-c both for LNA.

Please amend Table 9 on page 40 as follows:

ref	oligonucleotides	
2775	$T^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}c_{s}t_{s}C^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}T^{\alpha}c$	PO/PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 26)	
2776	$T^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}g_{s}t_{s}c_{s}a_{s}t_{s}c_{s}g_{s}c_{s}t_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}T^{\alpha}_{s}c$	All PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 27)	
2743	TCCg _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s c _s t _s CCTc	PO/PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 8)	
2742	$T_sC_sC_sg_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_sC_sT_sc$	All PS
	(SEQ ID NO: 9)	
2777	$T^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}T^{\alpha}g_{s}t_{s}a_{s}a_{s}t_{s}a_{s}g_{s}c_{s}c_{s}C^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}C^{\alpha}c$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 28)	
2778	$T^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}T^{\alpha}_{s}g_{s}t_{s}a_{s}a_{s}t_{s}a_{s}g_{s}c_{s}c_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}c$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 29)	
2745	TCTg _s t _s a _s a _s t _s a _s g _s c _s c _s CCCc	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 12)	
2744	$T_sC_sT_sg_st_sa_sa_st_sa_sg_sc_sC_sC_sC_sC_sc$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 13)	

Table 9. Oligonucleotides containing alpha-L-oxy-LNA and beta-D-oxy-LNA used in the antisense activity experiments. Residue c is methyl-c both for DNA and LNA.

Please amend Table 10 on page 42 as follows:

ref	oligonucleotides	
2776	$T_s^{\alpha}C_s^{\alpha}C_s^{\alpha}g_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_s^{\alpha}C_s^{\alpha}T_s^{\alpha}c$	match
	(SEQ ID NO: 27)	
2778	$T^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}T^{\alpha}_{s}g_{s}t_{s}a_{s}a_{s}t_{s}a_{s}g_{s}c_{s}c_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}C^{\alpha}_{s}c$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 29)	
2742	$T_sC_sC_sg_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_sc_st_sC_sC_sT_sc$	match
	(SEQ ID NO: 17)	
2744	$T_sC_sT_sg_st_sa_sa_st_sa_sg_sc_sc_sC_sC_sC_sc$	Mismatch control
	(SEQ ID NO: 13)	

Table 10. Oligonucleotides containing alpha-L-oxy-LNA and beta-D-oxy-LNA used in the in vivo experiment. Residue c is methyl-c both for DNA and LNA.

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Please amend Table 11 on page 42 as follows:

ref	sequence	mixmer
2023-1; 02574	TTCc _s g _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s t _s CTTt (SEQ ID NO: 30)	3-9-3-1
2023-k; 02575	TTCc _s g _s t _s c _s a _s t _s c _s g _s t _s CTT _s t (SEQ ID NO: 31)	3-9-3-1
2023-j; 02576	$T_sT_sC_sc_sg_st_sc_sa_st_sc_sg_st_sC_sT_sT_st$ (SEQ ID NO: 32)	3-9-3-1

Table 11. Special beta-D-oxy-LNA constructs (Capital letters for LNA and small letters for DNA). Residue c is methyl-c for LNA.